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### **Project Manager Force XXI Battle Command Brigade and Below**

COL Thomas M. Olson has served as the Project Manager for Force XXI Battle Command Brigade and Below since September 2008. He enlisted in the Army in September of 1983. Currently he also serves as Branch Chief, C4ISR and Space, Capabilities and Acquisition Directorate, Joint Staff J-8.

His major duty assignments include HAWK Platoon Leader, later Executive Officer, A Battery, 2nd Battalion, 1st Air Defense Artillery, 11th ADA Brigade, Fort Bliss, Texas. Also he served as the Vulcan Battery Commander, later Battalion S-3 and Executive Officer, 6th Battalion, 3rd Air Defense Artillery, 1st Armored Division, Schwabach, Germany.

From June 92 to May 95 he served as Operations Officer, US Army Information Systems Engineering Command, Software Development Center, Fort Huachuca, Arizona. He then served as Operations Officer, Communications and Electronics Command, Software Development Center, Washington. From Aug 2000 to April 2002 he was the Executive Assistant, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Logistics, and Technology, and then went on to serve as the Deputy Director Executive Communications and Control, Office of the Chief of Staff Army. From June 2003 to July 2005 he was the Product Manager, Secure Electronic Transaction Devices, Program Executive Office Enterprise Information Systems.

COL Olson's military education includes Basic Training, Lance Missile Crewman Course, Air Defense Officer Basic Course, Air Defense Officer Advanced Course, Command and General Staff College, and the Industrial College of the Armed Forces. He has a Bachelor of Science degree in economics. He also earned a masters degree in Information Technology Management from Naval Postgraduate School; and a master's degree in National Resource Strategy from the Industrial College of the Armed Forces.

His awards include the Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal with 4 Oak Leaf Clusters, the Army Commendation Medal with 3 Oak Leaf Clusters, Parachutist Badge, Ranger Tab, Joint Chiefs of Staff Identification.